

PATENT APPLICA

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the application of

SWAAK

Group Art Unit: 1644

Serial Number: 08/817,704

Examiner: F. Vander Vegt

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Atty. Docket No. P108214-7002

For:

USE OF ERYTHROPOIETIN IN THE TREATMENT OF RHEUMATOID

ARTHRITIS

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231 Sir:

October 19, 2001

Applicant petitions for an extension of time for two months for response to the outstanding Office Action dated May 21, 2001 from August 21, 2001 to October 21, 2001. Attached is our check in the amount of \$400.00.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency or credit any overpayment associated with this communication to Deposit Account No. 01-2300.

Respectfully submitted,

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